

1918, from Mr. L. A. Walton, Yuba City, California:

"I have received some of the *Amygdalus davidiana* (S. P. I. No. 34515) Chinese peach seedlings from the Chico Plant Introduction Garden each year for the past four years. I received the first shipment, about 50 trees, in February, 1915, and planted them all in alkali ground in different parts of my orchard where I had not been successful in growing other varieties of trees. All of the *A. davidiana* that had made a good strong growth in the nursery made a wonderful growth after being transplanted. I budded these trees to the Walton Cling in September, 1915. They are very thrifty, fine looking trees now, much larger than any other trees of the same age, that I have in my orchard, and I picked a good crop of peaches from these trees last summer. I have planted some of the *A. davidiana* on high, sandy loam with a clay subsoil and some on very fertile, river-bottom soil. In each case they have made a strong growth and I believe it is the best root stock that we can use for our commercial orchards. I might add that all of our orchards in Sutter County are irrigated from wells so the trees have plenty of moisture during the summer months. If we could get the pits from this seedling for some of our best nurseries I am quite sure that we would have much stronger trees than we are growing at the present time, and on soil that is not too strong with alkali they will grow very successfully."